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The Automobile Club of Chicago, has been organized, and articles of incorporation have been filed. From the large and rapidly increasing number of automobiles in use in Chicago, the club is expected to be a great success. It is proposed to arrange races and tours for automobiles.

The cost of the Yukon telegraph lines was about \$137,000. The distance from Lake Bennett to Dawson is 740 miles. There were no horses engaged in carrying on the work of construction, most of the carrying being done by scows on the river. According to The Electrical World, \$400 was taken in for messages on the first evening the lines were opened.

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The "Pioneer," the first regular sleeping car built by the Pullmans, has been definitely retired from service, says the Railway Age. On one other occasion it was retired, but was again pre-sed into service for the transportation of troops during the war with Spain. It was built about the year 1858 in the shops at Bloomington, Ill., at the cost of \$18,000, and made its first trip on the Chicago and Alton Railway.

In a recent article in The Medic-Dealers in Fruits, Vegetables al News, Dr. J. J. Welsh points out that there are certain diseases which will greatly diminish as the result of the absence of the horse from the city's streets. Tetanus, for instance, will probably disappear almost completely. It is on horse fodder that the germ is introduced into cities, and with the elimination of the horse, that dread disease lockjaw will probably almost disappear.

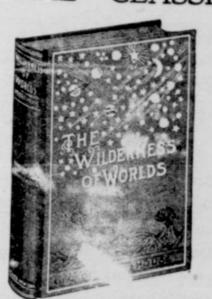
When Jumbo, the great elephant who delighted the children of two continents, was killed in Canada in 1885, the skin and bones of the big elephant were saved, and butchers were employed fifteen hours in cutting the flesh from the bones. In the stomach of the great elephant was an assortment of odds and ends, including a peck of stones and a collection of coins, which showed that he had been a traveler. There were French, German, Austrian, English and American coins, of all denominations. He also seemed to have a taste for lead car seals, which he had added to his collection on his railway trips. A policeman's whistle was, according to The Inter-Ocean, even found in the capacious paunch.

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